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SUBJ: ICCS: MISSING PA&E EMPLOYEES

REF: (A) SAIGON 18174; (B) STATE 207786;

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1. DCM OCT 20 GAVE AIDE MEMOIRE ON MISSING PA&E EMPLOYEES TO PAWLISZEWSKI, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF DEPARTMENT III, MFA, IN ABSENCE OF DIRECTOR. AIDE MEMOIRE RECITED REPORTED WHEREABOUTS AND CURRENT STATUS OF MATTER, CONCLUDING WITH FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH;

QUOTE: BECAUSE OF THE URGENCY OF THIS MATTER AND BECAUSE THE SAFETY OF THESE THREE PERSONS IS INVOLVED, THE EMBASSY REQUESTS, ON THE INSTRUCTIONS OF ITS GOVERNMENT, THAT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS INSTRUCT THE POLISH DELEGATION TO THE ICCS TO DO EVERYTHING IN CONFIDENTIAL

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ITS POWER, BOTH AS AS A DELEGATION AND THROUGH THE

MECHANISM OF THE COMMISSION, TO SEE THAT THE MISSING MEN ARE PROMPTLY RETURNED TO SAFETY. THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT REGARDS THIS AS A HUMANITARIAN MATTER OF GREAT URGENCY AND BESPEAKS THE EARLY AND EFFECTIVE ACTION OF THE POLISH GOVERNMENT IN BRINGING IT TO A SUCCESSFUL RESOLUTION. UNQUOTE:

IN ORAL PRESENTATION, DCM STRONGLY UNDERLINED URGENCY OF MATTER AND SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH WE URGE THAT POLES TAKE HELPFUL ACTION.

2. PAWLISZEWSKI PROFESSED IGNORANCE OF INCIDENT AND ASKED DETAILED QUESTIONS CONCERNING REGISTRATION OF VEHICLE AND WHETHER US EMBASSY HAD RAISED MATTER WITH TWO SOUTH VIETNAMESE PARTIES. IN RESPONDING, DCM INSISTED ON ICCS RESPONSIBILITY FOR ITS CONTRACT EMPLOYEES WHO HAD BEEN TRAVELLING IN ICCS VEHICLE CARRYING PROPER ICCS MARKINGS. PAWLISZEWSKI ALSO INDICATED, SPEAKING PERSONALLY, THAT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR POLES TO PUCH MATTER FURTHER IN THE FACE OF PRG DENIAL OF ANY KNOWLEDGE WHEREABOUTS THESE THREE INDIVIDUALS. DCM RESPONDED THAT AIDE MEMOIRE PROVIDES WHEREABOUTS OF INDIVIDUALS AND THAT WE REGARD THEIR PROMPT RETURN AS HUMANITARIAN MATTER OF GREAT URGENCY IN WHICH WE ASK POLES TO INTEREST THEMSELVES.

3. IN REPOSE TO SPECIFIC REQUEST THAT SUBJECT BE REFERRED TO VICE MINISTER SPASOWSKI TODAY, PAWLISZEWSKI STATED THAT MATTER WOULD BE REFERRED TO HIS SUPERIORS PROMPTLY AND THAT POLES WOULD DO WHATEVER WAS POSSIBLE TO BE HELPFUL.

4. DCM TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO REITERATE POINTS MADE REF C CONCERNING OUR HOPE THAT POLES WOULD MOVE BACK INTO SUB-REGIONS AND THAT, IN THEIR CONVERSATIONS WITH THE DRV AND VC, THEY WOULD SUPPORT THE POSITION THAT NEW FUNDS ARE NEEDED FOR CONTINUING ICCS OPERATIONS. PAWLISZEWSKI MERELY NOTED THAT COMMISSION FINANCING WAS ESSENTIALLY MATTER TO BE SETTLED AMONG PARIS CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS AND NOT PRIMARILY A RESPONSIBILITY OF CONFIDENTIAL

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